

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A lockable housing for a game controller comprising:

(A) a housing configured to hold electronic components, the housing comprising a
5 base and a main cabinet, the main cabinet being slidably attached to the base, the main cabinet
being slideable between at least a first position wherein the main cabinet is substantially
congruous with the base and a second position for accessing the main cabinet;

(B) an input device disposed on the housing, the input device in communication with
the electronic components and configured to allow an operator to configure the electronic
10 components;

(C) a display disposed on the housing, in communication with the electronic
components, and configured to display information related to the electronic components;

(D) an indicator disposed on the housing and in communication with the electronic
components, the indicator configured to provide a visual indication of the status of the electronic
15 components;

(E) a key switch disposed on the housing and configured to selectively allow access to
functions of the electronic components;

(F) a plurality of lockable compartments disposed within the housing;

(G) a plurality of lockable access members coupled to the housing and selectively
20 providing access to the lockable compartments;

(H) a plurality of access member locks coupled to the lockable access members,
wherein each access member lock is operated by at least one key different from those operating

the other access members locks; and

(I) at least one receptor located in one of the compartments, the receptor configured to receive a cable passing from the exterior of the housing into the compartment, wherein the cable passes through a cable gap formed in the housing, the cable gap allowing passage of the cable into the interior of the compartment but limiting removal of the cable when the main cabinet is in the first position.

2. The lockable housing of claim 1 further comprising a main cabinet lock disposed on the main cabinet and configured to selectively secure the main cabinet in the first position.

3. The lockable housing of claim 1 wherein the display comprises a vacuum fluorescent display.

4. The lockable housing of claim 1 wherein the indicator comprises a light emitting diode.

5. The lockable housing of claim 1 wherein the plurality of lockable compartments comprises a lockable compartment accessible by a lockable access member disposed on the top of the housing.

6. The lockable housing of claim 1 wherein the input device comprises a keypad comprising numeric keys.

7. A lockable security cabinet capable of providing multiple levels of security comprising:

(A) a main cabinet;

(B) a plurality of enclosable inner compartments located within the main cabinet;

(C) a base; wherein the main cabinet is moveably attached to the base;

5 (D) an opening in the main cabinet or base, wherein the opening is configured to allow a cable to pass and to prohibit removal of cable connectors when the main cabinet is maintained in an operating position inside the base;

(E) a plurality of access members connected to the main cabinet, wherein the plurality of access members limit access to the plurality of enclosable inner compartments when in a closed
10 position;

(F) a first lock; wherein the first lock selectively secures at least one of the plurality of access members;

(G) a first key; wherein the first key is designed to operate the first lock;

(H) a second lock, wherein the second lock selectively secures at least one of the plurality
15 of access members different from those secured by the first lock and wherein the second lock is not operated by the first key; and

(I) a second key, wherein the second key operates the second lock.

8. The apparatus of claim 7 further comprising an electronic component disposed in the main
20 cabinet and a display disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the electronic component.

9. The apparatus of claim 7 further comprising an electronic component disposed in the main cabinet and an input device disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the electronic component.

5 10. The apparatus of claim 7 further comprising an electronic component disposed in the main cabinet and an indicator disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the electronic component, the indicator configured to provide a visual indication of the status of the electronic component.

10 11. The apparatus of claim 7 wherein at least one of the enclosable inner compartments secured by the first access member and first lock contains at least one cable assembly.

12. The apparatus of claim 7 wherein at least one of the enclosable inner compartments secured by the second access member and second lock contains a computer hardware component.

15 13. The apparatus of claim 7, further comprising a top access member disposed at the top of the main cabinet.

14. The apparatus of claim 13, further comprising a third lock for securing the top access member, wherein the third lock is not operated by the first or second key, and further comprising a
20 key for operating the third lock, wherein the third lock key does not operate the first or second locks.

15. A lockable security cabinet capable of providing multiple levels of security comprising:

(A) a main cabinet;

(B) a plurality of enclosable compartments located within the main cabinet;

(C) a plurality of access members connected to the main cabinet, wherein the plurality of

5 access members are capable of substantially limiting access to the plurality of enclosable compartments;

(D) a first lock associated with one of the access members; wherein the first lock is capable of securing at least one of the plurality of access members;

(E) a first key; the first key being configured to operate the first lock;

10 (F) a control panel located in the main cabinet, wherein the control panel allows an operator to access configuration or administrative functions of a computer;

(G) at least one key switch associated with the control panel, the key switch configured to limit access to at least one control panel function, wherein at least one key switch is not operated by the first key;

15 (H) a second key, the second key being configured to operate at least one of the plurality of key switches and which does not operate the first lock.

16. The apparatus of claim 15 further comprising a display disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the computer.

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17. The apparatus of claim 15 further comprising an input device disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the computer.

18. The apparatus of claim 15 further comprising an indicator disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the computer, the indicator configured to provide a visual indication of the status of the computer.

5 19. The apparatus of claim 15 further comprising a base; wherein the main cabinet is moveably attached to the base.

20. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein the main cabinet is slidable in a forward and backward manner with respect to the base.

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21. The apparatus of claim 19 further comprising a cable guide assembly, wherein the cable guide assembly is adapted to guide at least one cable when the main cabinet is actuated with respect to the base.

15 22. The apparatus of claim 19 further comprising a second lock, wherein the second lock selectively limits the main cabinet from being moved and wherein the second lock is not operated by the first or second key.

23. The apparatus of claim 15, further comprising a base, wherein the main cabinet is slidably connected to the base, the main cabinet being slidable between a first and a second position, the base comprising an enclosure structure, the enclosure structure and at least one of a plurality of partition walls of the main cabinet defining a cable gap, the cable gap being of a size capable of preventing a cable connector from passing through the gap when the main cabinet is in the first position, wherein the main cabinet and the base substantially enclose and retain a cable assembly when the main cabinet is in the first position and the cable assembly may be removed from the enclosure structure when the main cabinet is in the second position.

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24. The apparatus of claim 15, further comprising a top access door providing access to the main cabinet.

25. The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the top access door is secured by a third lock, and wherein the third lock is not operated by the first or second key.

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26. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein one of the plurality of enclosable inner compartments contains an electronic component, the electronic component in communication with the control panel and the key switch.

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27. The apparatus of claim 15 further comprising a cable gap in the enclosable inner compartment containing a plurality of receptors, wherein the cable gap is adapted to allow cables having connectors to pass from outside the main cabinet to the inside of the main cabinet and be
5 connected to the receptors, but not allow cable connectors to pass through the cable gap when the enclosable inner compartment is substantially enclosed.

28. A lockable security cabinet capable of providing multiple levels of security comprising:

(A) a main cabinet;

(B) a first enclosable compartment located within the main cabinet;

5 (C) a first access member connected to the main cabinet, wherein the first access member limits access to the first enclosable compartment when in a closed position;

(D) a first lock associated with the first access member; the first lock selectively securing the first access member;

(E) a first key; the first key being configured to operate the first lock;

10 (F) a control panel, wherein the control panel allows an operator to access configuration or administrative functions of a computer;

(G) a first key switch disposed on the main cabinet and associated with the control panel, the first key switch configured to limit access to a control panel function, wherein the first key switch is not operated by the first key; and

15 (H) a second key, wherein the second key is configured to operate the first key switch and not to operate the first lock.

29. The apparatus of claim 28, further comprising:

(A) a second enclosable compartment located within the main cabinet;

(B) a second access member connected to the main cabinet, wherein the second access
5 member is limits access to the second enclosable compartment when in a closed position;

(C) a second lock associated with the second access member, the second lock selectively
secure the second access member, and wherein the second lock is not operated by the first or second
key; and

(D) a third key, the third key being configured to operate the second lock, and wherein the
10 third key does not operate the first lock or the first key switch.

30. The apparatus of claim 29 wherein the second enclosable compartment contains an electronic
component, the electronic component in communication with the control panel and the key switch.

15 31. The apparatus of claim 28 further comprising a base to which the main cabinet is movably
attached, wherein the main cabinet is moveable in a backwards and forwards manner with respect to
the base and wherein the main cabinet can be secured against movement relative to the base by using
a lock.

20 32. The apparatus of claim 31 further comprising an opening in the main cabinet or base
configured to allow a cable to pass through and configured to prevent cable connectors from passing
through when the main cabinet is locked within the base.

33. The apparatus of claim 28 further comprising a display disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the computer.

5 34. The apparatus of claim 28 further comprising an input device disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the computer.

35. The apparatus of claim 28 further comprising an indicator disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the computer, the indicator configured to provide a visual indication of the
10 status of the computer.

36. A lockable security cabinet comprising:

(A) a cabinet;

(B) a plurality of compartments located within the cabinet, wherein a portion of the compartments are secured by a plurality of locks, wherein each lock is operated by a key, and

5 wherein each lock is operable by at least one key that is unique;

(C) a control panel located in the cabinet, wherein the control panel provides access to at least one computer function; and

(D) a lock associated with the control panel, the lock configured to limit access to at least one computer function, wherein the lock is operated by at least one key that is unique.

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37. The lockable security cabinet of claim 36 wherein an access compartment secures at least one electronic component and a second compartment secures at least one cable receptor.

38. The lockable security cabinet of claim 36 wherein an access compartment secures at least one
15 electronic component, the electronic component in communication with the control panel and the key switch.

39. The apparatus of claim 36 further comprising a display disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the computer.

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40. The apparatus of claim 36 further comprising an input device disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with the computer.

41. The apparatus of claim 36 further comprising an indicator disposed on the main cabinet and in communication with a computer, the indicator configured to provide a visual indication of the status of the computer.

42. A lockable security cabinet comprising:

(A) housing means for holding items;

(B) a plurality of compartment means for subdividing the housing means and holding

5 items;

(C) a plurality of access limiting means for selectively limiting access to the compartment means, wherein the access limiting means are coupled to the housing means;

(D) a plurality of locking means for securing at least one of the plurality of the access limiting means; and

10 (E) a plurality of unique key means for unlocking the plurality of locking means.

43. The apparatus of claim 42 further comprising a display means for displaying information disposed on the housing, the display means being in communication with a processor means for receiving, processing, and transmitting data, the processor means disposed within the housing.

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44. The apparatus of claim 42 further comprising an input means for allowing an operator to configure a processor means for receiving, processing, and transmitting data, the input means disposed on the housing, the processor means disposed in the housing.

20 45. The apparatus of claim 42 further comprising an indicator means for providing a visual indication of the status of a processor means for receiving, processing, and transmitting data, the indicator means disposed on the housing, the processor means disposed in the housing.